

REMARKS

In the Office Action dated June 30, 2005, claims 1-22 were pending. Claims 4-6, 12-16 and 20-22 were allowed. Claims 1, 2, 7-11, and 17-18 were rejected. Claims 3 and 19 were objected to, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent forms.

In this response, claims 3, 7-11, and 19 have been cancelled without prejudice. Claims 1 and 17 have been amended. No new matter has been added. Reconsideration of this application as amended is respectfully requested.

Specifically, independent claims 1 and 17 have been amended to include substantially all limitations of the objected claims 3 and 19 respectively, leaving all pending claims allowable. While Applicant does not concede that the Examiner's position is correct on the merits, Applicant has sought to obtain the claims which were allowed and objected to.

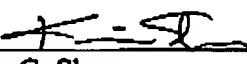
In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully submits the present application is now in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite or assist in the allowance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (408) 720-8300.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any shortage of fees in connection with this response.

Respectfully submitted,

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